

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
 Masahiko NAKAJIMA et al. : **Mail Stop: PCT**
 Serial No. NEW : Attorney Docket No. 2004_1533A
 Filed September 24, 2004 :
 HOLLOW STRUCTURE PLATE, :
 MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, :
 MANUFACTURING DEVICE THEREOF, :
 AND SOUND ABSORBING STRUCTURE :
 PLATE :
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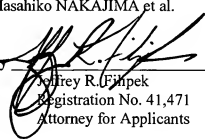
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5. ☒ An International Search Report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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